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BOY OF SEVEN KILLS GIRL OF ELEVEN

LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

The Most Remarkable Attendance in the History of Any Public School in the State Witnessed the Closing Exercises at Convention Hall Friday Night.

15,000 PEOPLE PRESENT.
The Commencement exercises of Lincoln High School closed Friday night in a blaze of glory with the best program and the most wonderful attendance ever recorded in the history of the school. Long before 6:00 o'clock people could be seen wending their way to this great Auditorium and by 7:00 o'clock they were com-

A DISTRESSING TRAGEDY.

The danger of leaving children unguarded and allowing them to play with deadly weapons brought sorrow to the homes of two Kansas City families last Wednesday when little Earl Robinson, 7 years of age, and residing near 27th and Vine street, found an old gun loaded and playfully aiming it at little Ora Hackley and a companion who were passing him on Highland avenue, in the 2600 block, shot and fatally wounded little Ora. She was taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Butler, 2611 Highland

ARE YOU HUNGRY? By Charles A. Starks.

Remember, you can do the public no good if you are hungry, and the only way to become full is by honest, legitimate effort in solving the problems of economy. It is the duty of every citizen, White or Black, to sincerely try this scheme. And after you have put proper agents to work and realize a certain satisfaction you are then bound to interest yourself in the moral, political and social conditions of your people. This is a Man, this is a Citizen. We are honest workers before we are good citizens, good citizens before we are True Reformers; true reformers are what we must be

right to succeed under this fine influence.

Are you hungry? If so, remember that in spite of any adverse systems we all have the noble privilege to work and the grand incentive of right to urge us on to some solid accomplishment.

Today Wisdom speaks in its triple way to those who would succeed. It says: There are three things required in any economic venture, they are Brains, Industry and Money.

See Mr. Clyde L. Glass for advanced training in piano. Concert, recital and stage work a specialty. Troy Hall, 2400 Paseo, phone Bell, Grand 1766W.

\$10. "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Total receipts, \$205.55.



MISS BLOSSOM FOX,
The winner of the J. W. Perry Oratorical Contest.

Hampton, Va.—Five hundred rich Negro voices singing with fine spirit, tone, and attack the eight-part Pail choruses and interpreting for a large audience the leading numbers of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" and Cowen's "Rose Maiden;" five hundred singers assisted by soloists—Mr. Geoffrey O'Hara, Dr. J. T. Lattimore, Miss Bessie L. Drew, and Miss Clara D. H. Smith, who threw themselves wholeheartedly into the big numbers of "Elijah"—these are the impressions one carries away from the recent Hampton Institute spring concert, which was given with the effective and adequate accompaniments of Mrs. R. Nathaniel Dett.

Unique Choruses.
This concert was given under the skillful direction of E. Nathaniel Dett, director of vocal music at Hampton Institute since 1913, who has been making distinct contributions to American art through his religious folk-song choruses. "Weeping Mary" and "I'll Never Turn Back No More," two new choruses, written in his characteristic style, have just been published by J. Fischer and Brother, Bible House, New York. These choruses are founded on Negro folk-song themes. They are four-part choruses for mixed voices and are to be sung unaccompanied. These unique folk-song choruses have already been enthusiastically received by prominent musicians and choir directors.

Other interesting choral productions of this composer- pianist include "Listen to the Lambs," "O Holy Lord," and "Music in the Mine," all published by G. Schirmer.

The Sun was pleased with a very pleasant caller, Mrs. Lula May Chester, the poetess of the South, who has published some very creditable songs and character sketches. Mrs. Chester is temporarily stopping in our city and would doubtless be a drawing card at any form of entertainment. She is stopping at 1620 Forest avenue.

"GREATEST IN HISTORY"

That's What the Management of the Newly Furnished and Equipped People's Drug Store Said of Their Sales Last Sunday.

Over 1,000 Persons Served From Their Elegant Soda Fountain Alone During the Day.

That the People's Drug Store has an established place in the hearts of the people of this Community and vicinity was amply demonstrated last Sunday by the tremendous volume of business done at this very popular Emporium. Dr. Lambright, the Manager, said at the close of the day's business. It was the greatest day's business ever done in the 14 years of their existence. The Sun is equally proud with the management of their remarkable success for the reason that it demonstrates the value and drawing power of advertising. Dr. Lambright says that regardless of the demand made upon them they shall continue to handle the purest drugs, the best cream and give the most courteous service possible. Strangers and visitors in the city are invited to make the People's their headquarters. Long distance telephone connection with every place. City Directory, Street Guides and everything to make one's visit in the city enjoyable. Remember their location—Paseo, corner of 18th street.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, makes public a telegram sent yesterday to Governor W. P. Hobby of Texas, protesting against the lynching of Mrs. Sarah Cabness and her five sons at Huntsville, Texas, and the fatal wounding of her daughter, on June 1, as the result of an altercation between a white man and George Cabness. Mr. Shillady calls the attention of the Governor to the fact that sixteen Negroes have been lynched in the state of Texas alone since America entered the war, and pointedly asks the Governor concerning his action in bringing to justice the murderers of the six Negroes. At a time when 157,000 Negroes are offering their lives for the preservation of the ideals of democracy, the Association wishes to know if the Negroes of Texas are to be given their share of the democracy for which they are fighting.

Mrs. Matilda Baker, 49 years of age, passed away after a brief illness at her residence, 1712 Michigan avenue. Mrs. Baker was a member for a number of years of the Second Baptist Church, Vice-Princess of New Hope Temple (S. M. T.) and of the Household of Ruth under whose auspices the funeral was held last Sunday at 1:30 p. m. She leaves a son, two brothers and two sisters to mourn her loss. The burial was in Highland cemetery.

Wheatley-Provident Hospital

Gratifying Response to the Fourth Call Sent Out for the Collection of Pledges for the New Hospital Which is Rapidly Nearing Completion.

PAY YOUR PLEDGES.

The fourth and last notice of the payment of pledges due the Wheatley-Provident Hospital was sent out last Saturday and an excellent response is being made by those who pledged subscriptions. The work is progressing in a satisfactory manner on the building at 1826 Forest avenue and it is hoped that the contractors will be able to turn it over to the management by July 4th. The hospital facilities for colored people will probably be more acute this winter than ever before in the history of the city and that there is urgent need for a large and commodious institution of this character for our people is evidenced by the fact that there is constantly a waiting list at the present institution seeking admission.

The following subscribers have completed their payments in full since June 1st:

- \$200—Hon. William T. Kemper.
- \$100—Butler Motor Co.
- \$30—Prof. Joe E. Herriford, Sr.
- \$25—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis, Charles H. Calloway, Mrs. J. T. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Christian, C. A. Franklin.
- \$15—S. H. P. Edwards, Mrs. V. L. Houston.
- \$10—Joe Alport, Rolla Schell, Mrs. Sarah Clark, Rev. Richard J. Davis, Hanson & Wright, Mr. J. W. Oden, Mr. Frank Crosswhite.
- \$5—Henry Perry, William Beavers, Willa C. Johnson, Rev. J. W. Holly, J. B. Shoemaker, Sam Bond, Mrs. Clara Hill, Mrs. Hattie Barnes, Henry Avery, Mrs. Laura Bently, J. J. O'Connor, Blanche Conway, William Hardy.
- \$2—Leroy Burns.
- \$1—Miss Catherine Washington.



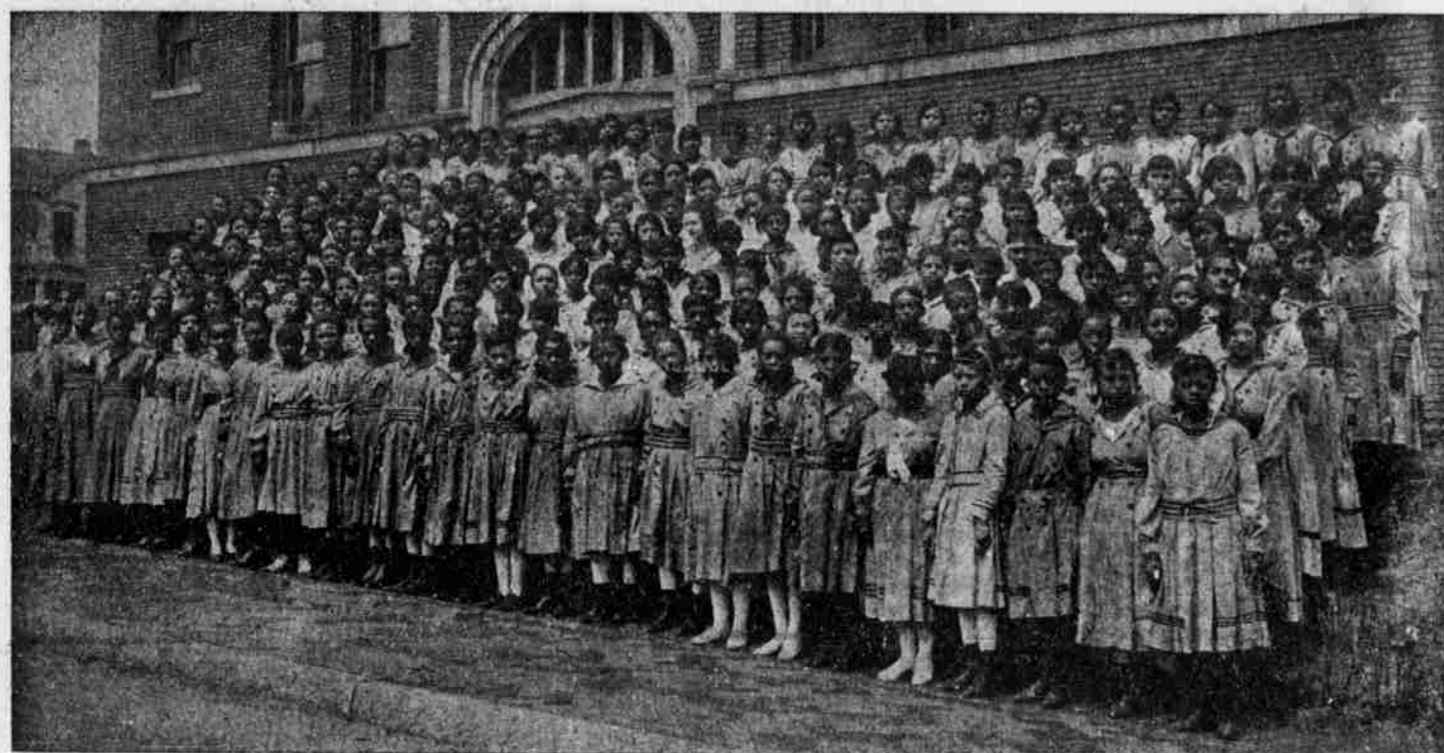
REV. T. H. EWING
Who Preached the Baccalaureate Sermon of the Lincoln High School this Year.

See the Play,
"The Fate of a Traitor"
at Lincoln High School,
Monday Night, June 10
By the Athenaeum Club

MISS MABEL LUCAS DEAD.
Miss Mabel Lucas, daughter of the late Daniel Lucas, and for many years a teacher in our public schools, died suddenly at St. Joseph, Mo., last Thursday. The body will be brought here for burial.

Hon. Geo. W. K. Love left for Helena and the West to visit the various Eastern Star Chapters. He was accompanied by Royal Grand Matron Virgie L. Walden of Columbia, Mo. They will be gone about two weeks.

Mrs. A. W. Hardie, 2003 North 6th street, received a package from her mother, Mrs. S. C. Jones, who is in Grand Bassa, Liberia. Mrs. Jones is a teacher of Domestic Science in Katherine Donovan's school; Mr. Jones is president; and he and the natives have erected a brick building which is a credit to the administration. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were passengers on the Carolina two years ago. They will remain their one year and nine months longer.



A group of the Lincoln High School Girls in the neat but quiet uniform that has been adopted by the girls of Lincoln High School.

ing by the hundreds and thousands and when the baton of Major N. Clark Smith fell starting the first musical number, there was the greatest gathering of Colored people facing him ever seen in Kansas City. The Sun will publish a program in full next week.

On last Sunday the student body headed by the Cadet band Principal, Faculty, Steering Committee and Alumni Association marched from the School to the Vine Street Church where Dr. T. H. Ewing delivered a very impressive Baccalaureate sermon.

On Monday the Seniors gave their annual play with the most gratifying attendance; and on Tuesday evening at the J. W. Perry Oratorical Contest, enthusiasm ran high, and the prizes were won: first by Blossom Fox and second by Johnnie Smith, amid much applause from their various classmates.

On Wednesday evening the Alumni very acceptable entertained with a little Playlet by Alice Dunbar Nelson and on Thursday afternoon held their annual social reunion especially complimenting the class of 1903 who celebrated their tenth anniversary. While on Thursday evening the class day exercises attended by an immense throng were held. The School Board as well as Prof. Lee are to be congratulated for the splendid results achieved during this school year.

NOTICE, MASONS!

In keeping with the policy of Conservation and to serve the best interests of the fraternity Most Worshipful Grand Master W. W. Fields of the Missouri Jurisdiction of Masons has called off the Grand Lodge Session that was to have been held in Omaha until such date in 1919 as he thinks advisable. The opinion among the fraternity is that Grand Master has acted wisely and well which means a saving to the fraternity on railroad fares, expenses and so forth of more than \$12,000. We suggest that every lodge use the money they were going to spend for delegates' expenses to square themselves with the Relief and Burial Departments and buying Liberty Bonds.

LATE C. H. J. TAYLOR'S WIDOW AT DEATH'S DOOR.

Baltimore, Md., May 28.—Mrs. Julia A. Taylor, the widow of the late C. H. J. Taylor, who served as recorder of deeds and minister to Liberia, is lying at the point of death with little hope of recovery.

avenue, from which place an ambulance was called, but before they reached the hospital she died from a wound in her side. The little girl lived near 22nd and Highland avenue and both were pupils of Wendell-Phillips School.

DR. PERRY IMPROVING.

The many friends who have been in suspense as to the outcome of the recent operation which Dr. J. E. Perry underwent will be pleased indeed to know that he is gradually improving. With the best attention of physicians and nurses Dr. Perry was able to be removed to his home last Friday evening at 2451 Montgall avenue. He desires to express his sincere thanks to all the hundreds of friends who have inquired of him during his illness.

If we would not only contribute to the stability of our community by conforming to its spirit, but also weed out and fight the known evils, existing within its ranks.

When I say "Problems of Economy" I mean earning your meat and bread, paying your rent, protecting your family with the comforts of home, adding certain means of culture and even enjoying some of the luxuries of life.

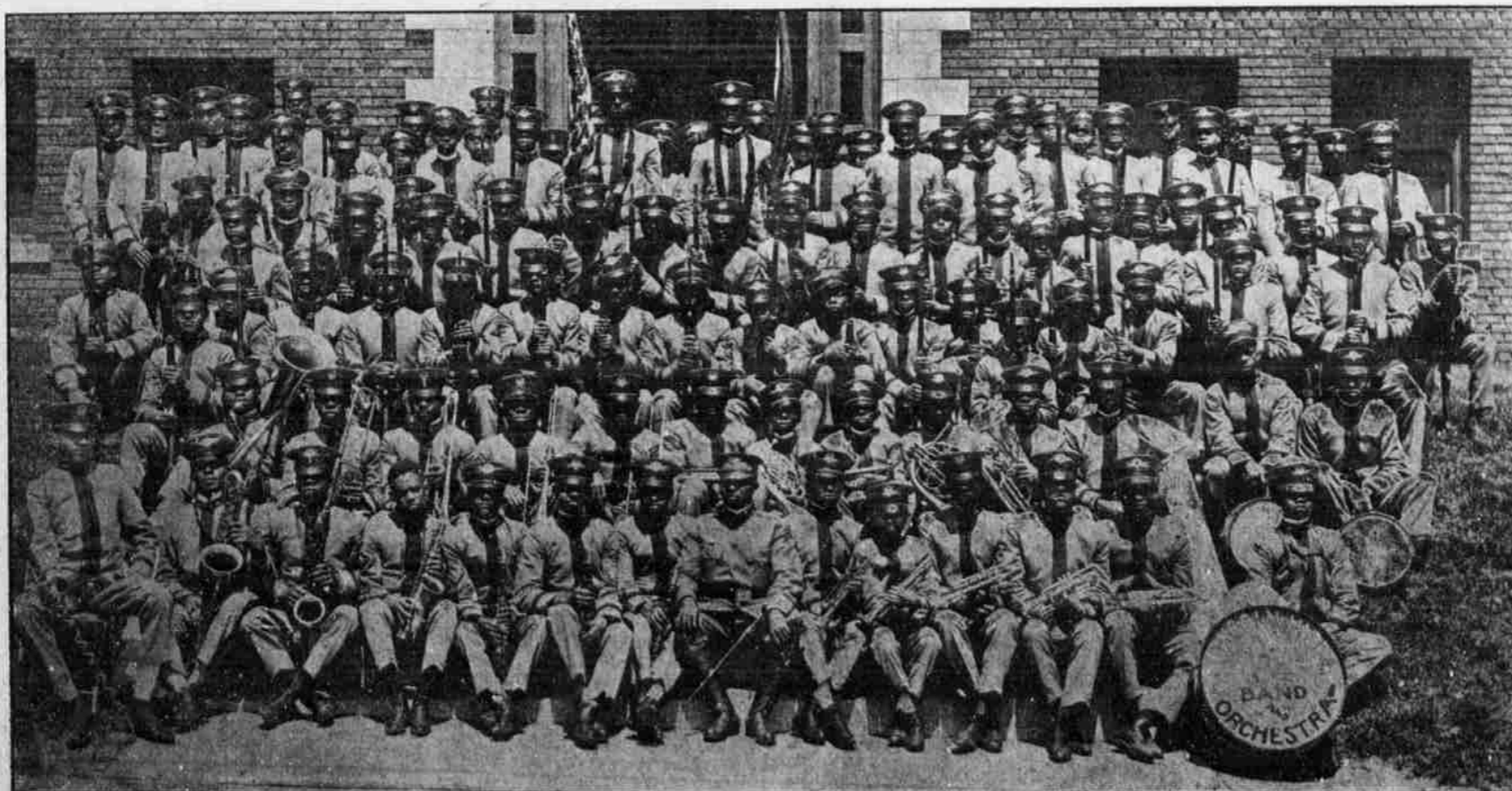
Now what if any one opposes you in your effort to do these things? What if a well-established but unfavorable industrial system contends your rights to live and live good? If it does it is striking at your very soul. It says you shall not progress, your women and children shall not be protected, you shall not ask a fair place for them in the scheme of life.

But if you fight for these things intelligently you prove yourself a Man; there are none better, you are as good as any under the Sun and you have a

QUEEN OF SHEBA TEMPLE NO. 284 CELEBRATES.

Annual May party was celebrated at Lyric hall, Friday night, May 31. The feast of seven tables were served and everyone present was a most enjoyable time. A patriotic May pole by 14 girls was a beautiful scene. They were well trained by Mrs. Edith Black, bringing out the effect of the Stars and Stripes.

The Queen contest between Mrs. Eliza Lynn and Mrs. Pearl Scott was a decided success. Mrs. Scott, carrying away the honors, Mrs. Scott reported \$100. Mrs. Lynn, \$56.25. A hearty applause greeted Mrs. Scott from her supporters. She was presented with a huge bouquet by friends. On account of the absence of the Grand Master, Dr. J. H. Williams, Mrs. Anna Roberts, Most Worthy Princess, performed the crowning ceremonies, presenting Mrs. Scott with a beautiful jeweled crown and



The famous Cadet Band and Battalion of Lincoln High School Students. One of the best in the United States and of which all Kansas Citizens are justly proud.